



Louis Henry "Lou" Phetteplace III

September 30, 1928 - December 25, 2019

Louis Henry "Lou" Phetteplace III, age 91, a lifelong resident of eastern Tennessee, died on Christmas Day at Bristol Regional Hospital following a brief illness.

Lou Phetteplace was born Sept. 30, 1928, in Erwin, Tenn., the son of Louis Henry Phetteplace Jr. and Ellen Moss Phetteplace. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara Myers Phetteplace, and sisters Mossie Phetteplace Brown, Mary Lou Phetteplace Comerford, and Beth Phetteplace Bailey.

Survivors include a son, Louis Henry "Butch" Phetteplace IV and wife, Cheryl of West Bend, Wisc.; and daughters, Elizabeth Paige Phetteplace Terry and husband, John of Bristol, Tenn.; and Mary Anderson Phetteplace "Missy" Powell and husband, Chris of Las Vegas, Nev.; along with 12 grandchildren and 16 great grandchildren.

A Bristol resident by age 14, Lou set off for the University of Alabama, where he graduated with a degree in business. Barbara would become his wife of 46 years, and they settled in Ft. Campbell, Ky., after he enlisted in the United States Army. During his 12-year Army stint, he retired with the rank of captain.

Upon returning to Bristol, Lou created Professional Planning Associates. He also would become a co-founder along with other local business leaders of Twin City Federal Savings and Loan.

A passionate man with an extraordinarily quick wit, Lou cared deeply about his family and the sports fortunes of his beloved Alabama Crimson Tide. One of his most treasured possessions was a rare pregame photograph of Alabama's Paul "Bear" Bryant alongside four Tennessee Volunteer cheerleaders, one of whom had placed the legendary football coach's trademark houndstooth fedora on her head. Lou later contributed the photo to the Bear Bryant Museum in Tuscaloosa.

His world and that of his children was altered greatly when Barbara died in November,

1998. In years hence, he spent many evenings on his screened-in porch regaling friends and family members with stories of a life well-lived. One of his most cherished days was his 90th birthday, during which his family and longtime friends gathered to celebrate the occasion. Lou's warmth and humor that day were, as usual, enjoyed by all.

A graveside service will be conducted at 3:00 P.M., Sunday, January 5, 2020 at Shelby Hills Cemetery with Rev. Joe Dunagan officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 700 Cumberland St., Bristol, VA 24201 or the charity of choice.

Condolences and memories may be left for the family at akardfuneralhome.com

Akard Funeral Home, (423) 989-4800 is serving the Phetteplace family.

Events

JAN **Graveside** 03:00PM

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Glenwood Cemetery

839 Bluff City Hwy, Bristol, TN, US, 37620

Comments



“ Dear Missy,
I'm so sorry for the loss of your dad. Take care.
Cindy Tucker

Cynthia Tucker - January 07, 2020 at 08:38 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Louis Henry "Lou" Phetteplace III.



January 03, 2020 at 12:21 PM



“ Jan Hatcher Rice purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Louis Henry "Lou" Phetteplace III.



Janet Rice - December 31, 2019 at 04:22 PM



“ Butch, Paige and Missy,
Where do I start? I have spent so much time on Skyline Drive and have known your family since I was 3. Your parents were so amazing and I loved them like my own. Barbara was so elegant and loved fashion and one of my favorite stories is when the Bristol CC bill would be sent out at the end of the month, Lou and Mr. Dougherty would make a bet on whose bill was bigger. Ha! And I would shop w Missy all over town and she would say, " Charge it please to Lou Phetteplace". From Clark and Palen to Fred Jones Grocery Store and back to the Fashion Shop and club!! And when we went to the Greenbrier and Lou told Missy and I to have fun and do what we wanted, since it was our bday in June. And we did. We went to the spa, played tennis, rode bikes every day and at age 13, we put on our formal, long dresses and charged a \$100 bottle of champagne w our dinner, to Lou Phetteplace. When we got our bill, Lou told the front desk that there must be a mistake, as this wasn't his bill. Needless to say, it was his bill and Missy and I got in trouble, but we just did what he told us to do! We had fun. Love, love to you all. Retsy

Retta Poynter - December 30, 2019 at 10:24 AM



“ Dear Butch, Paige and Missy,

We are so sorry to hear about your Dad's passing.

When you talk about family, you talk about blood relatives but also about those people who are close to you. Your Dad, Lou, and your Mom were so much a part of our family from the day we first moved across the street from you on Butler Drive in Bristol. Butch and I decided to mark the event by throwing mudballs at each other; our parents decided to mark the event by becoming instant friends. We are so fortunate as a result.

Your parents were always so kind to us and taught us so much about what it means to be a good neighbor. We especially want to thank Paige for attending my brother John's recent funeral service in Bristol. We mourn your Dad's passing and want you to know that everyone in the Hagey family remembers him fondly and misses him greatly.

All our love,

Steve and Robin Hagey

Stephen Hagey - December 28, 2019 at 11:51 PM



“ Butch, Paige and Missy,

I really loved your Dad and am sorry for your loss.

Your Dad has been a life long friend to me. From Ms. Thompson's kindergarten, Western Little League and UT with Butch, to my occasional visits with him in Bristol he never changed a bit. Always the same kind, considerate and congenial person. Butch and I had an awesome time growing up largely because “Lou” was such a great guy. I will never forget the kindness your Mom and Dad showed to me.

God bless you and the entire family.

Hal Bibee

Sent from my iPhone

Hal Bibee - December 28, 2019 at 04:59 PM



“ Dear Paige and family,
We are so sorry hear of the loss of your father and our neighbor.
The Carlson's at 108 Quail Run.

The Carlson's - December 28, 2019 at 03:11 PM



“ We are so sorry for the loss of your father. Our prayers and sympathy are with you.

Janet Neal - December 27, 2019 at 07:31 PM



“ Butch, Paige, and Missy, prayers of peace and comfort to you and your families. So sorry for your loss.

Jan Thomas Burris - December 27, 2019 at 04:44 PM



“ Such a terrific Gentleman...among the last of the "Great Ones".

Jim Warren - December 27, 2019 at 09:11 AM



“ Missy, I'm sorry to hear of your father's passing. Please let me know if you & your family need anything.

Keith Davenport, Bristol



Keith Davenport - December 27, 2019 at 06:53 AM



“ We are so very sorry for your loss. Praying for peace and comfort.
Vera and John Vandeventer

vera Vandeventer - December 27, 2019 at 04:39 AM



“ Paige I am so sorry . You and all of your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Clara Adams Leonard - December 26, 2019 at 02:52 PM



“ Butch, Paige and Missy. I will always remember the wonderful times spent with your family up on knob. Loved your Dad and Mom. Beautiful couple and so warm and loving. Love you guys too. So very sorry for your loss. Jan Hatcher Rice

Janet - December 26, 2019 at 03:39 PM



“ Butch, Paige and Missy, I was so sorry to hear about your loss. Lou was a great person and I know you will miss him greatly. I remember when he and your Mom got married. I had the honor of being the ring bearer. They both always made me feel welcome when I came out with your Great Grandmother. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

Tom Thurmond

Tom Thurmond - December 27, 2019 at 09:55 AM



“ Butch, I am sorry to read about your father. We had a lot of good times playing baseball together growing up. May God bless him and your family. Praying for your family. Edward Ringley

Edward Ringley - December 30, 2019 at 09:19 PM